



North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

March 2, 2016

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Dear Mr. Gerving:

Subject: Draft Cease and Desist Order

File: City of Eureka, Elk River Wastewater Treatment Plant

CIWQS Place ID 223010, WDID 1B821510HUM

The Elk River Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is proposed for regulation by draft Waste Discharge Requirements, Order No. R1-2016-0001, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0024449, WDID No. 1B821510HUM, for consideration by the Regional Water Board on June 16, 2016. The City will be unable to immediately comply with all requirements contained in the proposed NPDES permit. Accordingly, draft Cease and Desist Order No. R1-2016-0012 provides a list of tasks and associated schedule of deadlines to achieve full compliance. The draft Cease and Desist Order can be viewed on our web site at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/public notices/public hearings/npdes permits and wdrs.shtml. Regional Water Board staff will supply you with a hard copy of the draft Cease and Desist Order upon request.

A public meeting to consider comments and objections to the draft Cease and Desist Order is scheduled for June 16, 2016, at the Regional Water Board's Office, located at 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California at 8:30 a.m. or as announced in the Regional Water Board's agenda. At the hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed Cease and Desist Order.

The 30 day public comment period for the draft Cease and Desist Order begins March 2, 2016. The City must submit written copies of all technical reports, testimony, and other evidentiary material concerning this issue to the Regional Water Board offices at northcoast@waterboards.ca.gov by 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2016. This written material will be submitted to the Regional Water Board members and all interested persons along with the full agenda materials.

JOHN W. CORBETT, CHAIR | MATTHEWS ST. JOHN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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All those who plan to testify at the hearing must submit written statements to the Regional Water Quality Control Board by April 4, 2016. The statements should provide the name of the witness, his or her qualifications (if an expert), and the scope of intended testimony. Testimony at the above-scheduled hearing may summarize or explain timely submitted or late accepted written evidence, but shall not add new evidence. The time constraints for oral testimony or comments will be set by the Regional Water Board Chair and usually will allow no more than 10 minutes for the Regional Water Board staff and District staff and three minutes for other interested persons. A timer may be used and speakers are expected to honor the time limits. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.

The draft Cease and Desist Order and related documents and comments received are on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220. The draft Cease and Desist Order and associated documents are also available on the Regional Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/agenda/pending.html.

Sincerely,



Lisa Bernard Sanitary Engineering Associate

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Enclosure: draft Cease and Desist Order

Certified-Return Receipt Requested

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